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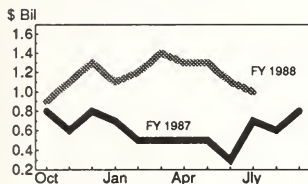
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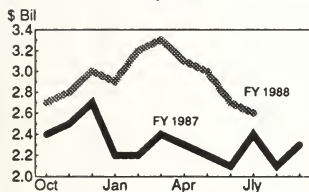
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Exports and Imports Both Decline in July

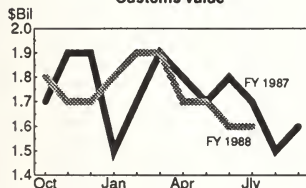
Trade Balance



Exports



Imports
Customs value



Trade Surplus Steady - The U.S. agricultural trade surplus remained above \$1 billion for the ninth consecutive month in July, virtually unchanged from June. Both exports and imports fell marginally in July, by \$53 million and \$17 million, respectively. According to Census Bureau data released last week, July's surplus exceeded July 1987's \$685 million by about 50 percent. Cumulatively, FY 1988's surplus is nearly twice the value of the same 10 months of FY 1987, \$11.6 billion compared with less than \$5.9 billion (table 5).

Exports - Agricultural exports fell only 2 percent from June, remaining above \$2.6 billion. Summer movement remained seasonally slow as the end of the 1987/88 marketing year drew closer for several major commodities. Cotton and vegetable oil exports fell the most, by \$78 million and \$45 million from month-earlier levels. Fruit, vegetable, hide, and vegetable oil exports fell by smaller amounts, while higher prices boosted export values for soybeans, wheat, and corn.

Corn exports rose \$28 million during July, reaching \$367 million as higher prices offset lower tonnages. Prompt shipment of the USSR's July corn purchases failed to offset smaller shipments to Japan. Shipments to Korea also rose, while those to Mexico and the EC were little changed from June. Export prices jumped 15 percent in lagged response to early-summer drought-induced crop woes.

Soybean exports rose as both tonnage and prices climbed. Shipments to the EC and Japan rose slightly, offsetting declines to smaller customers. Export prices rose 13 percent during July, following June's 19 percent gain.

Wheat export value rose \$15 million to \$380 million in July, despite a 300,000 ton decline in shipments. This was the third consecutive month tonnage declined, and the first time in more than a decade for reduced wheat exports during the first 2 months of the marketing year. Smaller shipments under the EEP accounted for the decline. EEP exports to the USSR fell substantially, but rose to China and Mexico. Non-EEP shipments grew, combining with higher U.S. prices to further boost the average price of U.S. wheat exports.

Cotton exports which normally decline at the end of the marketing year, fell nearly one-third, to \$109 million. Shipments dropped to the USSR, Egypt, and the EC. Sales to most other customers were also lower, but shipments to Japan, the largest U.S. cotton customer, fell only 13 percent from June's 23,000 tons. (Steve MacDonald, 202-786-1822)

Imports - U.S. agricultural imports fell for the fourth consecutive month in July. Imports of most products fell, offsetting rebounding coffee imports. June 1988 coffee imports had been the lowest in a decade following strong shipments during early FY 1988. Meat imports remained at seasonal highs but horticultural imports dropped seasonally. (Steve Milmo, 202-786-1822)

Large Export Gains Forecast - FY 1988 export value is now expected to reach \$34 billion, compared with \$28 billion in FY 1987. Export volume is expected to climb 17 million tons, to 146 million. These gains largely reflect reduced competitor supplies; higher prices for grains, oilseeds, and cotton; and increased U.S. export competitiveness. FY 1989's outlook is for lower volume and higher value due to higher prices. (Steve MacDonald)

Table 1--U.S. agricultural exports: Quantity and value by commodity

Commodity	October-July				July			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1986/87	1987/88	1986/87	1987/88	1987	1988	1987	1988
Total agricultural exports (NA)	--	--	23,391,370	29,147,975	--	--	2,383,717	2,622,724
Animals & animal prods (NA)	--	--	4,136,570	4,366,400	--	--	403,174	500,174
Animals live - excl poultry (NO)	224	369	2,539,539	3,067,708	30	101	18,960	35,006
Cattle & calves (NO)	99	131	81,876	100,254	10	36	8,856	21,342
Horses, mules, burros (NO)	17	21	152,429	188,197	1	2	9,540	10,888
Swine (NO)	6	11	4,870	6,066	0	5	312	886
Meat & meat products (MT)	459	498	1,076,886	1,401,637	44	59	98,768	158,714
Beef & veal (MT)	183	176	605,713	772,660	19	17	56,602	84,509
Horsemeat (MT)	31	41	81,392	81,392	3	7	7,556	7,238
Pork (MT)	26	46	87,416	187,223	2	6	7,109	22,922
Variety meats, edible offals (MT)	208	219	297,796	320,224	18	30	26,023	39,508
Poultry & poultry products (NA)	--	--	488,476	522,345	--	--	50,444	53,174
Poultry - live (NO)	26,496	36,515	60,176	69,645	3,252	3,641	6,565	6,587
Poultry meats (MT)	302	319	328,720	336,576	35	35	35,905	38,026
Chickens - fr or froz (MT)	275	281	290,812	291,186	34	30	32,932	32,775
Turkeys - fr or froz (MT)	11	20	12,907	19,678	3	3	3,883	2,693
Feathers & downs, crude (MT)	3	2	32,445	26,468	1	0	1,848	2,307
Eggs (NA)	--	--	67,136	89,655	--	--	6,126	6,254
Dairy products (MT)	359	305	384,784	392,847	51	32	47,916	46,846
Nonfat dry milk (MT)	269	192	175,173	172,428	40	18	27,892	23,941
Butter & butteroil (MT)	12	7	15,194	17,479	3	1	3,072	1,168
Cheese (MT)	12	7	24,133	31,779	3	3	5,993	3,015
Whey, fluid or dried (MT)	26	44	19,194	25,965	2	6	1,672	3,264
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	1,023	1,109	345,593	436,033	113	123	36,952	52,301
Lard (MT)	39	44	18,942	21,176	4	4	1,763	1,976
Tallow - inedible (MT)	927	972	298,998	366,464	99	109	30,967	44,079
Hides & skins, incl furs (NA)	--	--	1,419,443	1,547,245	--	--	135,160	136,668
Fur skins (NA) - whole (NO)	20,586	19,724	1,044,414	1,205,490	2,028	1,936	116,459	119,157
Fur skins (NA) - parts (NO)	--	--	270,150	198,899	--	--	7,603	6,415
Mink pelts (NO)	2,637	2,242	98,118	81,237	117	76	4,028	2,379
Wool & mohair (MT)	6	6	47,433	33,688	0	0	2,067	1,778
Sausage casings (MT)	7	9	27,399	23,698	--	1	2,304	2,873
Bull semen (NA)	--	--	16,339	31,598	--	--	1,786	3,003
Grains & feeds (MT)	74,217	91,159	7,451,176	10,005,030	9,793	8,204	968,592	1,068,768
Wheat, unmilled (MT)	21,871	34,105	2,521,273	3,562,710	4,292	3,034	399,122	539,122
Wheat, flour (MT)	1,131	959	177,821	135,112	135	165	25,451	25,866
Rice-paddy, milled, parb. (MT)	2,006	1,883	455,614	625,177	282	179	62,669	66,620
Feed grains (MT)	40,062	44,104	3,107,168	3,988,740	4,146	3,943	338,634	443,034
Barley (MT)	2,534	2,605	206,600	203,260	162	251	10,318	23,349
Corn (MT)	33,034	36,395	2,556,136	3,341,836	3,403	3,178	282,263	366,669
Grain sorghums (MT)	4,475	5,073	34,873	42,623	580	513	43,557	52,865
Popcorn (MT)	38	54	17,688	22,191	3	6	357	2,802
Blended food prods (MT)	124	165	30,664	46,273	18	20	4,362	5,663
Feeds & fodders, ex oilcake (MT)	8,510	9,370	1,229,286	1,399,294	869	804	123,597	121,865
Corn by-products (MT)	4,898	5,017	670,605	689,249	480	417	61,453	59,219
Alfalfa meal & cubes (MT)	541	535	72,224	71,918	62	70	8,069	10,034
Beet pulp (MT)	626	744	78,386	82,535	44	40	5,462	4,329
Citrus pulp pellets (MT)	515	597	55,964	78,422	26	24	2,862	3,633
Fruits & prep, ex juice (MT)	1,492	1,695	1,064,717	1,214,828	145	146	116,596	127,286
Fruits - fresh (MT)	1,272	1,459	795,313	896,982	124	125	90,782	98,683
Citrus (MT)	858	880	451,801	476,716	65	55	36,454	33,372
Grapefruit (MT)	344	442	156,703	213,881	14	20	7,345	10,059
Lemons & limes (MT)	131	122	77,703	79,831	13	9	8,386	8,126
Oranges & tangerines (MT)	375	339	219,966	176,133	37	24	20,104	14,217
Noncitrus (MT)	114	578	343,512	420,266	59	71	54,328	65,110
Apples (MT)	154	276	85,190	120,311	4	7	2,182	3,889
Grapes (MT)	73	74	74,676	79,067	9	11	9,334	12,190
Other noncitrus (MT)	188	228	183,645	220,889	47	53	42,812	49,231
Fruits - dried (MT)	116	133	177,438	210,002	11	11	17,709	18,228
Raisins (MT)	64	76	94,043	114,575	8	8	12,188	12,386
Prunes (MT)	43	130	69,972	76,786	3	3	4,698	4,935
Fruits - canned ex juice (MT)	53	62	63,344	66,538	4	4	4,361	5,244
Fruit juices, incl froz (HL)	3,664	4,466	155,354	204,541	369	598	16,208	26,185
Orange juice (HL)	1,900	2,058	74,440	94,269	196	299	8,260	12,278
Other fruit juices (HL)	1,764	2,388	80,914	110,272	173	299	7,948	13,907
Wine (HL)	29	46	40,586	61,101	4	5	5,541	7,871
Nuts & prep (MT)	319	369	615,335	728,005	22	24	32,483	53,122
Almonds (shelled basis) (MT)	139	130	339,940	456,995	19	12	37,422	38,571
Peanuts, shelled or prep (MT)	168	136	132,251	102,864	10	9	8,392	7,770
Walnuts, shelled/unshelled (MT)	65	67	94,319	107,454	1	2	1,881	2,041
Vegetables & prep (MT)	1,424	1,560	1,026,694	1,083,648	103	137	77,322	93,124
Vegetables - fresh (MT)	483	560	230,036	274,687	38	40	17,158	18,625
Celery (MT)	50	51	15,268	16,084	5	6	663	992
Lettuce (MT)	99	163	30,776	51,910	5	6	1,831	2,203
Potatoes (MT)	47	31	18,234	11,757	7	5	2,812	2,097
Tomatoes (MT)	57	65	35,992	42,252	6	7	3,639	4,255
Other fresh vegetables (MT)	230	251	129,767	152,683	18	19	8,210	9,079
Vegetables - frozen (MT)	150	198	114,974	138,696	16	18	11,881	13,729
Potatoes (MT)	87	109	67,123	72,882	10	11	7,155	7,549
Other frozen vegetables (MT)	63	89	47,851	65,813	6	8	4,725	6,180
Vegetables - canned (MT)	113	141	89,495	114,580	8	13	6,364	10,360

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Commodity	October-July				July			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1986/87	1987/88	1986/87	1987/88	1987	1988	1987	1988
Pulses(MT)	481	443	239,236	179,228	22	44	8,873	13,940
Dried beans(MT)	371	301	197,188	134,517	13	29	6,138	8,768
Dried peas(MT)	86	113	29,326	34,141	8	7	2,395	2,565
Dried lentils(MT)	24	30	12,723	10,571	1	8	340	2,608
Hops, incl hop ext(MT)	6	8	52,330	54,624	1	1	4,418	3,457
Oilseeds & prods(MT)	25,668	26,251	5,365,997	6,632,664	2,098	1,235	480,096	445,515
Oilcake & meal(MT)	6,227	5,723	1,229,878	1,309,242	470	296	98,227	82,596
Soybean meal(MT)	6,085	5,566	1,210,773	1,284,475	436	273	94,245	78,808
Oilseeds(MT)	18,717	19,049	3,744,308	4,517,860	1,505	820	321,614	286,969
Soybeans(MT)	18,293	18,646	3,562,853	4,319,740	1,477	802	306,999	275,415
Sunflowerseeds(MT)	264	244	70,866	81,998	16	3	3,731	2,072
Peanuts, incl oilstock(MT)	44	34	36,768	26,772	4	1	2,983	841
Vegetable oils(MT)	724	1,478	389,811	805,563	122	119	60,256	75,950
Soybean oil(MT)	318	731	132,341	361,221	80	71	31,738	40,658
Cottonseed oil(MT)	80	167	39,447	83,198	4	8	2,211	5,024
Sunflower oil(MT)	127	293	55,104	129,247	19	10	7,983	5,006
Other veg oils & waxes(MT)	198	287	162,920	231,897	9	30	18,324	25,263
Tobacco - unmf(MT)	207	202	1,118,059	1,145,049	9	12	46,248	65,557
Tobacco - burley(MT)	47	41	262,364	262,434	4	2	15,395	15,851
Tobacco - flue cured(MT)	111	117	693,618	725,456	2	7	13,493	38,956
Cotton, ex linters(MT)	1,146	1,273	1,209,323	1,961,709	93	70	114,088	109,080
Cotton linters(MT)	21	31	8,638	11,489	2	4	753	1,219
Essential oils(MT)	6	8	93,772	101,582	1	1	7,876	9,226
Seeds - field & garden(MT)	268	254	327,836	362,812	15	10	18,425	21,599
Sugar & tropical prods(MT)	946	743	575,563	595,928	91	91	57,401	71,969
Sugar & related prods(MT)	864	652	172,408	165,716	82	81	17,046	23,581
Coffee(MT)	12	10	78,364	65,097	1	1	8,085	5,569
Cocoa(MT)	5	5	12,820	10,798	0	1	525	1,655
Chocolate & prep(MT)	19	25	63,729	87,780	2	3	6,272	8,222
Spices(MT)	6	7	19,882	21,669	1	1	1,829	2,032
Flavoring sirups & ext(MT)	20	22	186,786	195,432	2	3	20,041	26,571
Rubber - crude natural(MT)	16	20	29,056	33,330	2	2	2,374	3,219
Nursery & greenhouse prods(NA)	--	--	55,351	67,782	--	--	3,828	4,574
Beverages ex juices(HL)	82	121	53,133	66,739	13	15	8,428	9,314
Selected non-ag exports(NA)	--	--	6,423,527	8,154,466	--	--	737,431	1,182,623
Fertilizers (NA)	--	--	1,807,268	2,020,421	--	--	185,221	247,823
Fish & shellfish(MT)	396	466	1,001,943	1,671,130	63	93	183,218	483,119
Ag chemicals, pesticides (MT)	216	233	1,252,215	1,370,925	16	18	96,787	113,372
Farm machinery(NA)	--	--	732,373	816,953	--	--	69,517	80,985
Tobacco - mfg(NA)	--	--	1,629,728	2,275,037	--	--	202,687	257,324

-- Not available. Data is preliminary. NO = Numbers, MT = Metric tons, HL = Hectoliters.

Table 2--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity

Commodity and unit	October-July				July			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1986/87	1987/88	1986/87	1987/88	1987	1988	1987	1988
Total agricultural imports (NA)	--	--	17,533,475	17,503,980	--	--	1,701,355	1,603,312
Noncompetitive ag imports (NA)	--	--	5,810,505	5,378,965	--	--	520,397	519,495
Bananas & plantains (MT)	2,616	2,530	683,122	683,146	232	244	63,416	67,985
Coffee, incl products (MT)	1,007	871	2,813,394	2,148,110	26	26	235,781	247,826
Cocoa & products (MT)	433	477	936,855	1,003,389	36	36	76,948	68,266
Tea (MT)	69	74	97,721	102,347	6	6	7,341	11,615
Spices, incl black pepper (MT)	87	75	335,908	302,283	9	6	36,147	26,302
Rubber & allied gums-crude (MT)	703	700	600,659	759,206	75	50	64,609	60,654
Wool, unmfng - carpet (MT)	1,063	658	38,131	39,686	373	1	6,052	4,438
Fibers, excl cotton (MT)	37	39	19,218	20,754	3	2	1,717	1,853
Essential oils (MT)	10	10	97,625	116,960	1	1	10,606	12,076
Drugs- crude, natural (MT)	41	38	169,058	183,087	3	4	15,861	16,920
Competitive ag imports (NA)	--	--	11,722,970	12,125,016	--	--	1,180,958	1,083,817
Animals & products (NA)	--	--	4,232,099	4,425,170	--	--	442,443	378,188
Animals-live, ex poultry (NO)	1,877	1,933	572,614	626,019	94	92	27,625	26,261
Cattle and calves (NO)	1,402	1,330	441,551	522,375	44	25	17,849	17,666
Horses & mules (NO)	9	9	88,347	49,839	1	1	4,580	3,157
Swine (NO)	342	497	40,873	50,934	40	53	3,861	5,156
Meats & prods, excl poultry (MT)	1,058	1,075	2,295,251	2,345,669	126	99	277,446	213,094
Beef & veal (MT)	638	649	1,280,581	1,397,279	83	60	172,605	128,396
Beef & veal - fr or froz(MT):	583	586	1,111,332	1,232,888	76	53	153,077	111,978
Beef & veal - prep or pres(MT):	55	63	169,249	164,391	6	7	19,528	16,418
Pork (MT)	385	387	935,706	857,444	39	37	96,371	76,969
Pork - fresh or frozen (MT)	250	251	493,612	441,087	27	24	56,851	40,341
Pork - prep or pres (MT)	136	136	442,094	416,357	13	13	41,519	36,628
Mutton goat & lamb (MT)	16	18	26,753	34,025	1	1	2,402	2,765
Variety meats (MT)	7	8	8,712	10,985	1	1	1,199	914
Poultry and products (NA)	--	--	95,486	80,962	--	--	11,458	8,410
Poultry - live (NA)	--	--	8,436	6,643	--	--	837	698
Poultry meat (MT)	--	3	12,339	10,727	--	0	813	755
Eggs (NA)	--	--	12,545	11,609	--	0	1,100	1,215
Feathers & down - crude (MT)	10	8	62,166	51,983	2	1	8,708	5,743
Dairy products (MT)	339	278	683,050	725,876	37	30	79,740	76,065
Milk & cream, fr or dried (MT)	12	14	11,778	13,513	1	1	1,013	1,210
Butter & butterfat mixtures (MT)	104	99	1,643	1,558	0	0	141	132
Cheese (MT)	91	81	327,557	337,193	13	11	36,560	32,137
Casein & mixtures (MT)	130	84	154,617	160,031	12	9	16,529	14,930
Other dairy products (MT)	18	17	15,372	16,014	2	2	1,551	1,447
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	--	--	264,765	213,537	--	--	16,203	12,557
Hides & skins (NA)	5	5	31,817	36,394	1	0	4,754	3,681
Sheep & lamb skins (MT)	38	21	30,287	46,781	2	2	3,066	4,326
Other hides & skins (MT)	--	--	202,661	130,362	--	--	8,383	4,449
Furskins (NA)	38	41	132,169	227,499	3	3	10,638	20,124
Wool- unmfng, apparel grades (MT)	11	10	48,687	55,480	1	1	5,836	5,870
Sausage casings (MT)	--	--	2,997	2,310	--	--	312	125
Bull semen (NA)	1,982	2,523	600,123	701,345	141	242	55,589	69,521
Grains, grain prods & feeds (MT)	304	288	31,243	35,223	5	49	537	5,975
Wheat, ex seed (MT)	461	653	37,754	75,328	25	33	2,148	4,354
Oats, unmilled (MT)	134	254	11,443	20,178	4	20	301	1,672
Barley, unmilled (MT)	72	83	30,080	40,979	8	8	2,907	4,717
Rice (MT)	106	103	215,998	219,402	10	9	20,055	19,327
Biscuits & wafers (MT)	88	87	67,936	69,386	10	8	7,411	6,651
Pasta & noodles (MT)	180	247	108,890	114,589	18	19	12,555	10,965
Other grains & preps (MT)	636	809	66,778	128,259	62	95	9,676	15,860
Feeds & fodders, ex oilcake(MT):	1,452	1,477	886,852	926,029	104	71	71,723	67,023
Fruits & preps, excl juices (MT)	1,070	1,078	586,913	606,641	59	56	36,807	40,070
Fruits - fresh or frozen (MT)	132	115	66,697	48,862	13	11	6,140	4,727
Apples, fresh (MT)	65	79	19,903	22,228	4	5	1,000	1,074
Citrus, fresh (MT)	244	295	206,505	252,749	4	3	3,065	4,082
Grapes, fresh (MT)	41	35	25,882	21,165	14	10	6,840	7,197
Mangoes (MT)	335	239	86,084	85,563	2	2	2,841	3,665
Melons (MT)	70	69	19,589	23,333	7	7	2,800	2,909
Pineapples (MT)	48	45	42,208	34,082	2	3	1,345	1,736
Other fruits - fresh or froz (MT)	134	140	118,044	118,660	13	14	16,079	18,109
Fruits - prepared or preserved (MT)	382	369	301,520	297,387	45	37	34,916	27,915
Pineapples - canned or prep(MT):	206	202	125,904	130,876	28	22	17,245	13,473
Other fruits - prep or pres(MT):	176	167	175,616	166,511	17	14	17,671	14,442
Orange juice (HL)	17,987	13,813	35,343	408,655	1,140	670	27,319	23,123
Other fruit juices (HL)	10,855	8,012	259,865	302,171	1,197	898	27,789	21,801
Nuts and preparations (MT)	129	116	319,543	272,074	14	11	36,354	24,843
Brazil nuts (MT)	8	8	13,017	10,461	2	2	2,897	2,124
Cashew nuts (MT)	36	32	212,958	175,852	4	3	26,230	15,850
Chestnuts (MT)	4	3	7,144	6,793	0	0	120	51
Coconut meat (MT)	45	35	35,718	31,922	0	0	4,088	3,797
Fileharts (MT)	2	2	6,887	8,009	0	0	387	178
Macademia nuts (MT)	1	1	6,185	8,009	0	0	698	812
Pistachio nuts (MT)	1	2	3,192	5,765	0	0	242	643
Other nuts (MT)	32	34	34,444	26,702	2	2	1,695	1,387

Table 2--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity--continued

Commodity and unit	October-July				July			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1986/87	1987/88	1986/87	1987/88	1987	1988	1987	1988
Vegetables and preparations (MT)	2,182	2,193	1,316,528	1,376,372	132	126	104,145	105,414
Vegetables - fresh or frozen (MT)	1,532	1,538	628,813	641,228	71	69	34,677	34,956
Asparagus (MT)	14	13	18,414	18,302	1	1	307	1,132
Beans (MT)	13	12	9,600	10,183	0	0	213	275
Carrots (MT)	33	47	9,870	9,408	1	0	642	174
Cucumbers (MT)	189	212	53,686	48,057	1	2	471	873
Eggplant (MT)	13	18	5,457	9,268	0	0	9	0
Garlic (MT)	17	16	16,343	9,957	2	3	2,017	1,374
Onions (MT)	155	184	53,603	75,654	3	2	1,842	2,227
Peas, incl chickpeas (MT)	21	23	21,410	21,842	1	1	1,180	1,010
Peppers (MT)	103	119	55,172	66,549	5	6	4,786	4,270
Potatoes (MT)	201	195	44,897	37,992	5	7	1,579	2,044
Squash (MT)	68	61	34,942	31,642	1	1	241	169
Tomatoes (MT)	414	323	165,425	143,020	17	20	6,266	8,186
Other vegg- fr or froz (MT)	293	312	139,094	159,357	34	26	14,629	13,222
Vegetables-prepared or pres (MT)	650	656	687,715	735,144	61	57	69,468	70,457
Artichokes - prep (MT)	16	13	19,756	25,143	4	4	5,202	7,653
Asparagus - prep (MT)	3	2	4,504	3,646	0	0	257	380
Beans & peas, dried (MT)	34	36	17,198	15,719	4	3	1,833	1,309
Mushrooms, canned (MT)	69	46	118,249	104,362	7	4	14,238	10,717
Olives - prep or pres (MT)	63	64	90,003	109,837	6	6	9,710	11,700
Tomatoes, incl paste & sauce (MT)	114	112	56,600	63,452	9	5	4,636	3,295
Waterchestnuts (MT)	30	28	24,968	21,775	3	3	2,178	2,294
Other vegetables-prep/pres (MT)	316	349	321,598	364,836	28	31	31,384	32,100
Sugar & related prods (MT)	2,539	1,928	661,835	492,260	241	243	72,439	60,512
Sugar - cane & beet (MT)	1,305	826	438,763	284,598	153	111	51,234	36,555
Molasses - inedible(MT)	914	773	63,080	56,222	49	95	2,739	7,306
Confectionery prods (MT)	39	33	60,459	51,702	5	4	6,723	5,566
Other sugar & related prods (MT)	280	296	99,533	99,739	35	32	11,742	11,084
Spices (MT)	19	20	24,865	27,864	1	2	1,733	2,465
Tobacco- unmanufactured (MT)	188	177	528,731	493,131	24	20	65,600	54,948
Tobacco - filler (MT)	151	147	489,260	459,062	19	17	60,950	52,229
Tobacco - scrap (MT)	16	12	22,019	15,757	1	2	2,015	1,468
Beverages, ex fruit juices (HL)	12,968	12,764	1,613,723	1,673,704	1,556	1,449	180,713	169,275
Wine (HL)	2,905	2,562	813,516	833,717	270	232	76,711	69,818
Malt beverages (HL)	8,927	9,189	705,617	764,640	1,135	1,091	92,278	90,610
Oilseeds & products (MT)	1,293	1,375	469,956	656,155	156	148	64,412	71,080
Oilcake & meal (MT)	198	197	24,049	31,928	25	22	3,179	4,551
Oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	127	172	46,393	57,472	17	16	5,959	5,943
Oils & waxes-veg (MT)	968	1,006	399,514	566,755	114	110	55,274	60,587
Castor oil (MT)	41	27	25,334	24,601	5	0	3,621	24
Coconut oil (MT)	386	404	112,579	188,163	60	29	22,478	14,742
Olive oil (MT)	51	61	84,048	101,558	6	7	10,009	10,062
Palm oil (MT)	193	128	49,496	45,358	12	5	3,590	1,967
Palm kernel oil (MT)	153	172	47,695	82,707	12	10	5,199	5,536
Other oils & waxes-veg.(MT)	144	213	80,363	124,369	19	59	10,377	28,256
Cotton, excl linters (MT)	1	0	700	455	0	0	0	0
Cotton linters (MT)	33	29	5,553	6,800	3	3	496	610
Seeds - field & garden (MT)	124	129	136,091	130,090	4	18	8,141	10,505
Cut flowers (NA)	--	--	203,571	231,948	--	--	15,692	16,866
Nursery stock, bulbs, etc.(NA)	--	--	86,901	95,380	--	--	3,308	3,755
Selected nonag imports (NA)	--	--	7,284,645	7,741,886	--	--	755,808	636,547
Fertilizers (MT)	12,246	13,311	894,575	1,186,420	809	1,011	58,524	80,548
Fish and shellfish (MT)	29,116	30,242	4,498,883	4,104,332	2,070	3,410	507,807	352,236
Ag chemicals and pesticides (MT)	--	53	302,147	407,440	5	1	25,137	9,169
Farm machinery (NA)	--	--	1,519,249	1,977,485	--	--	156,439	189,077
Tobacco - manufactured (NA)	--	--	69,791	66,210	--	--	7,903	5,518

-- Not available (NA). See page 3 for unit abbreviations. Data are preliminary.

Table 3--U.S. Agricultural Exports (\$ Million)

Commodity	May	June	July	FY to date	Change fm prev. yr	Percent
Total	2,970.6	2,675.8	2,622.7	29,148.0		24.6
Live animals	23.7	28.1	41.6	371.3		22.7
Meat & prep.	193.9	204.2	196.7	1,738.2		23.7
Hides & skins	147.9	154.3	136.7	1,547.3		9.0
Wheat	444.8	364.7	380.1	3,569.7		58.8
Rice	88.3	47.0	66.6	625.2		37.2
Corn	443.2	339.1	366.7	3,341.8		30.4
Other coarse grains	52.8	50.4	76.4	646.9		18.6
Soybeans	276.1	242.4	275.4	4,319.7		21.2
Animal feeds	306.5	238.1	204.5	2,708.5		10.0
Vegetable oils	66.9	120.7	76.0	805.6		117.0
Horticultural prod.	300.7	330.8	312.2	3,359.9		6.5
Cotton and linters	172.9	188.5	110.3	1,973.1		61.8
Tobacco, unmg.	95.2	62.8	65.6	1,145.0		2.4
Sugar products	15.4	23.3	23.6	165.7		(5.6)

Table 5--U.S. Agricultural Trade Summary (\$ Million)

Item	June	July	FY to date	Change from prev. year	Percent
Agricultural exports	2,675.8	2,622.7	29,148.0		25
Imports (c.i.f.)	1,748.0	1,738.7	19,191.7		-1
Imports (Customs val.)	1,612.0	1,603.3	17,504.0		0
Trade Balance:					
Exports minus c.i.f.					
Imports	927.8	884.0	9,956.3		152
Exports minus Customs valued imports	1,063.8	1,019.4	11,644.0		99

Table 6--U.S. Agricultural Exports, 1985-88

Commodity	Fiscal 1985	Fiscal 1986	Fiscal 1987	Fiscal 1988(f)
\$ Billion				
Total value	31.203	26.334	27.859	34.0
Wheat and flour	4.427	3.463	3.084	4.5
Corn	5.788	3.291	3.048	3.7
Soybeans	3.876	4.174	4.191	4.8
Animal Products	4.075	4.353	5.013	5.8
Horticultural Prod.	2.607	2.667	3.152	3.7
Million tons				
Total volume	126.0	109.9	129.2	146.0
Wheat and flour	29.2	26.6	29.5	41.1
Corn	46.4	31.1	39.3	43.8
Soybeans	16.6	20.1	21.3	20.7
Soybean meal		5.5	6.6	6.0

(f)= July-September forecast. October-June preliminary.

Table 4--U.S. Agricultural Imports (Customs value) (\$ Million)

Commodity	May	June	July	FY to date	Change fm prev. yr	Percent
Total	1,675.5	1,611.8	1,603.3	17,504.0		(0.7)
Live animals	53.3	43.1	27.0	632.7		8.9
Meat & prep.	222.6	263.8	213.8	2,356.4		2.1
Dairy prod.	65.7	74.1	76.1	725.9		6.3
Grains & feeds	68.2	78.3	69.5	701.3		16.9
Fruits & nuts	257.5	145.6	205.7	2,470.1		(1.3)
Vegetables	131.5	116.2	105.4	1,376.4		4.5
Vegetable oils	47.3	58.7	60.6	566.7		41.9
Wine	77.5	76.0	69.8	833.7		2.5
Sugar	34.6	40.7	36.5	284.6		(35.2)
Tobacco, unmg.	55.7	52.1	54.9	493.1		(6.7)
Coffee	180.5	142.0	247.8	2,148.1		(23.6)
Cocoa	69.3	84.0	68.3	1,003.4		7.3
Rubber, natural	76.4	75.7	60.7	759.2		26.4

Numbers in parentheses are negative.

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